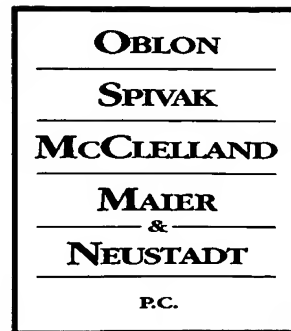


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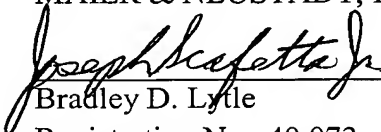
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In response to the Notice of Allowability dated October 22, 2004, Applicants wish to comment on the Statement of Reasons for Allowance contained therein. Applicants note that, with regard to the pulse generation control means, the Examiner refers to the pulses shown in Figure 5. However, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims should in no way be limited to that embodiment.

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